

DRAFT DECATUR COUNTY LOCAL RANKING WORKSHEET -- FY2004

Producer/Landowner Name

Tract #'s

Planner:

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Farm #'s

Date:

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Instructions: Applicants shall answer all questions to the best of their ability. Points assigned to each question reflect the priorities of the Decatur County EQIP Local Working Group. Definitions of terms may be found at the end of the worksheet. All questions apply only to the acres being offered for contract.

Questions

Value Points

1. Is the current predicted sheet and rill erosion rate for the area above "T"?

YES (77 points)

0 or 77

77

2. Does this application include the storage and/or application of manure from animals in confinement?

YES (65 points)

0 or 65

65

3. Is there evidence of ephemeral or classic gully erosion occurring on the area ?

YES (46 points)

0 or 46

46

4. Do your livestock have unrestricted access to waterbodies ?

YES (46 points)

0 or 46

46

5. Is livestock manure being applied to soils with a moderate or high potential for leaching ?

YES (44 points)

0 or 44

44

6. Is sediment being deposited into a stream, pond or a wetland ?

YES (37 points)

0 or 37

37

7. Do the current manure storage facilities provide at least 180 days of storage for confined livestock ?

NO (35 points)

0 or 35

35

8. Is the area covered by a pest management plan that meets the NRCS 595 standard ?

NO (35 points)

0 or 35

35

9. Is pastureland with a poor stand and/or actively eroding areas present ?

YES (26 points)

0 or 26

26

10. Is the proposed project area indicated on the state map "Karst-Groundwater"?

YES (25 points)

0 or 25

25

11. Do targeted species of small mammals (quail, rabbit, etc.,) lack habitat ?

YES (23 points)

0 or 23

23

12. Will tree planting be included which will connect two or more fragmented woodlots ?

YES (22 points)

0 or 22

22

13. Will livestock be excluded from woodlots that they presently have access to ?

YES (19 points)

0 or 19

19

TOTAL RAW LOCAL SCORE (maximum of 500 points possible)

0 to 500

500

Definitions for terms used on this worksheet

"T" means the tolerable soil loss value for the critical soil map unit on the treatment area (FOTG III).

Confinement means that food and water is delivered/provided to the animals.

Ephemeral erosion is defined as small channels where runoff causes soil movement and deposition.

Unrestricted access means livestock can enter waterbodies at any time.

Waterbodies include: intermittent and perennial streams and ponds.

Livestock refers to domestic animals (other than horses) raised for food or clothing.

Leaching potential determined from data in FOTG III.

595 spec refers to the NRCS Pest Management Standard in FOTG IV.

Poor stand means the stand supports less than 75% of the carrying capacity in FOTG III.

Statewide Karst map is in FOTG I.

Lack habitat means the present habitat does not meet the food and/or cover requirements of FOTG III.

Fragmented woodlots refers to woodlots that are not connected to other woodlots by woody cover.